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For: APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY DETECTING SIZE TO BE DETECTED AND AUTOMATIC ANALYZER USING THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

May 28, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed

April 24, 2002, and the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed

March 27, 2002, Applicants submit herewith new pages 13-19 of
the specification, which renumber the pages so that the claims
begin on a separate sheet.

As required, a copies of the NOTICES of March 27 and April 24, 2002, are enclosed herewith.

It is believed that no additional fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional

fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 04/09/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 03/27/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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